

**GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
SOCIAL JUSTICE AND EMPOWERMENT
LOK SABHA**

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WELFARE OF OLDER PERSONS
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Will the Minister of SOCIAL JUSTICE AND EMPOWERMENT be pleased to state:

- (a) the amount allocated for the programme of `welfare of older people` during the last three years;
- (b) whether the amount allocated for the purpose has not been fully utilized and the unutilized amount have been diverted to various other schemes;
- (c) if so, the details along with the reasons therefor; and
- (d) the steps taken by the Government for the purposeful utilization of the amount allocated for the purpose?

Answer

MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF SOCIAL JUSTICE AND EMPOWERMENT(SMT. SUBBULAKSHMI JAGADEESAN)

(a)to (c) The details of amount allocated and expenditure incurred during the last three years under the scheme of `An Integrated Programme for Older Persons` are given below:-

Year B.E Expenditure (Rs.
(Rs. in crores) in crores)

2005-06 19.80 14.00

2006-07 28.00 12.53

2007-08 22.00 16.12

Since it is a demand driven scheme, the disbursement of grant-in-aid depends upon the timely receipt of complete proposals.

(d) A system of State wise National allocation of funds and State level GIA Committee has been introduced to ensure optimum utilization of allocated funds in the respective States.